In the claims:

Claims 1-7 (Cancelled)

8. (Currently amended) A nucleic acid vector comprising a the nucleic acid molecule of ~~claim 4~~ SEQ ID NO: 1 or SEQ ID NO: 3.

9. (Original) A host cell containing the vector of claim 8.

Claims 10-23 (Cancelled)

24. (Previously presented) A process for producing a polypeptide comprising SEQ ID NO: 2, the process comprising culturing the host cell of claim 9 under conditions sufficient for the production of said polypeptide, and recovering said polypeptide from the host cell.

25. (Previously presented) An isolated polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1.

26. (Previously presented) An isolated polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 3.

27. (Previously presented) A vector according to claim 8, wherein said vector is selected from the group consisting of a plasmid, virus, and bacteriophage.

28. (Previously presented) A vector according to claim 8, wherein said isolated nucleic acid molecule is inserted into said vector in proper orientation and correct reading frame such that the protein of SEQ ID NO: 2 may be expressed by a cell transformed with said vector.

29. (Previously presented) A vector according to claim 28, wherein said isolated nucleic acid molecule is operatively linked to a promoter sequence.

30. (Currently amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule consisting of a nucleotide sequence that is completely complementary to a nucleotide sequence ~~of claim 4~~ consisting of SEQ ID NO: 1 or SEQ ID NO: 3.

31. (New) An isolated polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1.

32. (New) An isolated polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 3.

33. (New) An isolated nucleic acid molecule consisting of a nucleotide sequence that is completely complementary to a nucleotide sequence comprising SEQ ID NO: 1 or SEQ ID NO: 3.